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## FORMALITIES LETTER



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## NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

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## FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

01 FC:101	740.00 OP
02 FC:105	130.00 OP
03 FC:102	168.00 OP
04 FC:103	54.00 OP

## Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The statutory basic filing fee is missing.  
*Applicant must submit \$ 740 to complete the basic filing fee for a non-small entity. If appropriate, applicant may make a written assertion of entitlement to small entity status and pay the small entity filing fee (37 CFR 1.27).*
- Total additional claim fee(s) for this application is \$222.
  - \$54 for 3 total claims over 20.
  - \$168 for 2 independent claims over 3 .
- The oath or declaration is missing.  
*A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.*
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(l) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- The balance due by applicant is \$ 1092.

*A copy of this notice **MUST** be returned with the reply.*

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PART 2 - COPY TO BE RETURNED WITH RESPONSE

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Sir:

In response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application dated January 23, 2002, enclosed are the following:

- Part 2 of Formalities Letter or Form PTO-1533  
(Notice to File Missing Parts of Application)
- Declaration and Power of Attorney for the above-identified application which has been executed by the named inventor(s)
- Applicant claims small entity status
- Check in the amount of \$1092.00 to cover the filing fee of \$740.00, the \$54.00 additional claim fee, the \$168.00 independent claim fee, the \$130.00 surcharge under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16(e) and a check in the amount of \$40.00 to cover the fee for the Assignment
- English Translation and \$130.00 (37 CFR 1.17(k)) fee for filing late
- Other: Assignment Recordation Form Cover Sheet; Assignment

Any additional fee or credit may be charged to our Deposit Account No. 16-0605.

Respectfully submitted,



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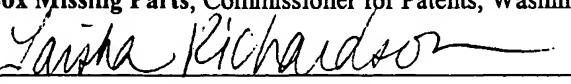
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